



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources
Doug Sutherland - Commissioner of Public Lands

Hello:

Washington's Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is initiating a Forest Land Planning project for state trust lands in its Columbia planning area (see map below). The project will help implement the Sustainable Harvest Calculation and DNR forest policies finalized in July 2006.

Please hold one of the following dates on your calendar to participate in informal meetings:

October 30 @ 6:00pm in Longview at the Cowlitz PUD, 961 12th Avenue

November 1 @ 6:00pm in Cathlamet at the Wahkiakum County Court House, 64 Main Street. (3rd floor)

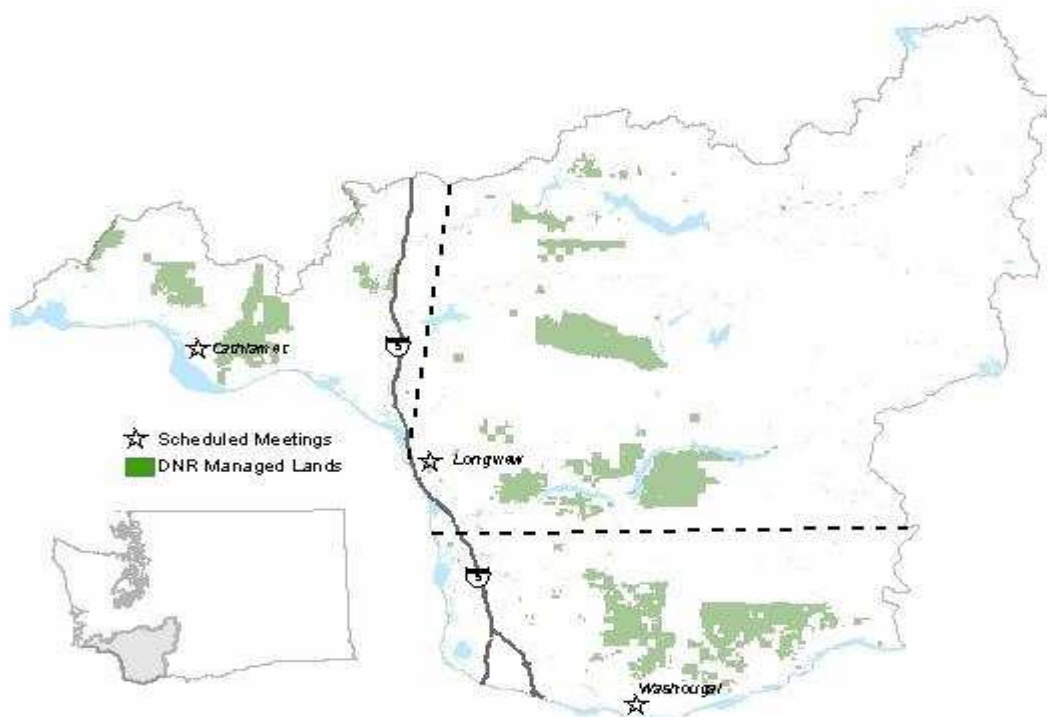
November 2 @ 6:00pm in Washougal in the Commons Area at Jemtegaard Middle School, 35300 SE Evergreen Blvd.

At these meetings, DNR staff will ask for your specific local information about sensitive resources that exist on DNR-managed state lands. This information might include sensitive visual areas or natural resources, or areas used for recreational activities by groups or individuals. In addition, DNR wants your suggestions regarding management of those areas. This valuable information will help as we begin planning to implement forest management activities for those areas. The formal State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) scoping process, which will collect additional comments from the tribes, agencies and the public, is scheduled for the spring of 2007.

At each of the above meetings, we will be focusing discussion on the DNR-managed state trust lands in that area (shown as dashed lines in the map below). Nonetheless, we also will be pleased to accept comments on the other areas shown on the map below. In October you will receive a packet with meeting locations and additional information. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Pacific Cascade State Lands Assistant, Eric Wisch at (360) 274-2005.

Your participation is critically important to the success of the project. We look forward to meeting with you to receive your ideas.

Thank you.



**Hold these dates
to meet with Washington's DNR
about forest land planning!**

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